



EXPRESS MAIL MAILING LABEL NO. EV 318622750 US

#13
Turley
PATENT

10/29/03

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Uresh K. Vahalia & Percy Tzelnic

Serial No.: 09/261,621

Filed: March 3, 1999

For: File Server System Providing Direct Data
Sharing Between Clients With A Server
Acting As An Arbiter and Coordinator

Group Art Unit: 2154

Examiner: Dustin Nguyen

Atty. Dkt. No.: EMCR:039/AUC

REPLY TO OFFICIAL ACTION DATED AUGUST 5, 2003

Commissioner for Patents
PO Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

RECEIVED

OCT 24 2003

Technology Center 2100

This is a reply to the Official Action dated March 17, 2003.

Please acknowledge receipt of the formal drawings filed on Sep. 6, 2001.



10-22-03

GP 2154

PTO/SB/21 (01-03)

Approved for use through 04/30/2003. OMB 0651-0031
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCEUnder the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number.**TRANSMITTAL
FORM**

(to be used for all correspondence after initial filing)

Total Number of Pages in This Submission

28

Application Number

09/261,621

Filing Date

March 3, 1099

RECEIVED

First Named Inventor

Uresh K. Vahalia

Art Unit

2154

OCT 24 2003

Examiner Name

Dustin Nguyen

Technology Center 2100

Attorney Docket Number

10830.0039.NPUS00

ENCLOSURES (Check all that apply)

- | | |
|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fee Transmittal Form | <input type="checkbox"/> Drawing(s) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fee Attached | <input type="checkbox"/> Licensing-related Papers |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amendment/Reply | <input type="checkbox"/> Petition |
| <input type="checkbox"/> After Final | <input type="checkbox"/> Petition to Convert to a Provisional Application |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Affidavits/declaration(s) | <input type="checkbox"/> Power of Attorney, Revocation |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Extension of Time Request | <input type="checkbox"/> Change of Correspondence Address |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Express Abandonment Request | <input type="checkbox"/> Terminal Disclaimer |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statement | <input type="checkbox"/> Request for Refund |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Certified Copy of Priority Document(s) | <input type="checkbox"/> CD, Number of CD(s) _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Response to Missing Parts/Incomplete Application | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Response to Missing Parts under 37 CFR 1.52 or 1.53 | |

- | |
|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> After Allowance Communication to Group |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Appeal Communication to Board of Appeals and Interferences |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Appeal Communication to Group (Appeal Notice, Brief, Reply Brief) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Proprietary Information |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Status Letter |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other Enclosure(s) (please identify below): |

Remarks

POSTCARD

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT

Firm or Individual

Richard C. Auchterlonie; Howrey Simon Arnold & White, LLP
Reg. 30,607; Customer No. 27927

Signature

Date

October 21, 2003

CERTIFICATE OF TRANSMISSION/ EXPRESS MAILING

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the U.S. Postal Service "EXPRESS MAIL POST OFFICE TO ADDRESSEE" service under 37 CFR 1.10 addressed to: P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on the date below.

EV 318622750 US

Typed or printed

Richard C. Auchterlonie, Esq.

Signature

Date October 21, 2003

This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.5. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 12 minutes to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, U.S. Department of Commerce, Washington, DC 20231. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P. O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

If you need assistance in completing the form, call 1-800-PTO-9199 (1-800-786-9199) and select option 2.